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EUROPE'S TROUBLES.

SOLVING THE REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

AMERICA'S EFFORTS.

New York, December 21.

The Associated Press London correspondent states that it is understood the United States, at the request of the German trade commission, of whom Herr Cuno is the head, has begun negotiations with France and Britain with a view to the appointment of a commission of American business men for fixing a new basis for reparation payments.

It is stated that Britain's consent to such a plan has already been transmitted to Washington and an early reply from France is expected.

It is understood that a proposal, has reached the United States Government, through the United States Chamber of Commerce, which was asked by Herr Cuno and his associates, to appoint a commission headed by Mr. Hoover to visit Germany and impartially survey the financial and economic situation there.

BANKERS' COMMISSION TO REASSEMBLE

LONDON, December 21.

It is understood that the British Government has not been approached by the United States regarding any proposal to form the commission of American business men mentioned earlier or other fresh reparation proposals but there is good reason to believe that certain informal suggestions have been made to France through the ambassador in Washington probably advocating the re-convocation of the international bankers' commission. It is thought that if the commission reassembled under the present modified conditions a solution of the impasse might be found.

AMERICAN STUDENTS FOR FRANCE

M. CLEMENCEAU GIVES \$20,000 TO FUND.

WASHINGTON, December 21.

It is stated that the surplus money received by M. Clemenceau from his lectures and newspaper articles to be presented to the American Field Service Fund Fellowships amounts to \$20,000.

[In memory of his student days in America, M. Clemenceau decided to devote the proceeds of his lecture tour to the American field service fund which was organized at the end of the war for the purpose of sending a number of American students to French universities equal to the number of French students in American universities.]

BOCONY CLAIM SUCCEEDS.

"CLAN GORDON" DISASTER SEQUEL.

LONDON, December 21.

The Standard Oil Company of New York recovered \$97,982 and costs at the Court of Session in Edinburgh from the Clan Line in respect of a cargo of oil and paraffin was aboard the "Clan Gordon" bound from New York to China which was lost in a smooth sea on July 30, 1920. The plaintiffs alleged that the master improperly emptied two water ballast tanks altering the ship's equilibrium so that a quick turn of the helm caused her to heel over and sink.

ADMIRAL DUFF

RECEIVED BY THE KING.

LONDON, December 20.

The king received Admiral Sir A. H. Duff upon relinquishing his appointment as Commander-in-Chief of the China station.

KIDNAPPING ALLEGED.

A DOUBTFUL STORY.

Inspector Moody this morning charged a Chinese before Mr. R. E. Lindsay with having kidnapped a 3-year old boy yesterday.

The complainant in the case is a Chinese married woman named Un Kay, living at No. 13, Taipingshan Street. Yesterday morning she left her three small children playing outside the house while she went to the market. When she returned, the youngest boy was missing. She informed her husband. Then a lodger, a clansman named Un King, came in and the three had a consultation. Un King took the matter in hand, and while the child's father went to inform the police he went to keep watch at the railway station at

Tsimshatui. He waited at the station from 10 a.m. to 2.50 p.m. when he saw the defendant enter the station carrying the child in his arms. A detective arrested the defendant as soon as Un King identified the youngster. When searched at the station defendant had the return half of a ticket from Canton in his pocket.

Defendant said he had been in Hongkong only a couple of days. Yesterday he met a "fok" who asked him to take the child to the railway station and wait for him there. He was promised \$30 "for his trouble."

Magistrate: You are to receive \$30 merely to take the child to the station? Surely, you must have been suspicious!

Defendant: He told me he had had a quarrel with his "sweetheart" and was afraid she might call the child. Magistrate: Do you expect me to believe that?

Defendant: It is true. Evidence was then taken.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/2 15/16.

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IRISH IRREGULARS.

A RAILWAY OUTRAGE.

BLAZING TRAIN SENT AT FULL SPEED.

LONDON, December 21.

Irregulars are infesting the Louth district and warring against road and railway traffic. They held up the Belfast Dublin mail train six miles South of Dundalk last night, ordered the passengers out, sprinkled the coaches with petrol and switched the blazing train on to the up line where it went at full speed towards Droghda and collided with a goods train with an armed engine from Dublin bearing munitions for the Free State forces at Dundalk. Both trains were derailed and the wreckage burned for hours with constant explosions making it dangerous to approach. A huge quantity of parcels and letters from Ulster to England was destroyed. Special trains relieved the passengers who spent hours on the line in the freezing cold.

BOLSHEVISM.

AN INDIAN PROGRAMME.

"FEDERATED REPUBLIC" PROPOSED.

LONDON, December 20.

A programme for adapting Bolshevism to Indian conditions has been prepared for submission to the Indian national congress at Gaya next week by M. N. Roy, a notorious Indian Communist, living in Berlin. It claims complete national independence and the establishment of a federated republic of India the sovereignty of the people to be vested in a national assembly which will be the supreme authority. The programme attacks not only the Government but landlords, traders and employers generally and alleged grievances of the masses are exploited merely in the interests of a revolutionary movement.

LAUSANNE CONFERENCE.

OPTIMISM PREVAILS NOW.

STRAITS PROBLEM VIRTUALLY SETTLED.

LAUSANNE, December 21.

The general apprehension prevailing before yesterday's meeting has been replaced by optimism. The very thorny question of the Straits has been virtually settled and it is hoped that the remaining disputed questions will be settled in a similar spirit of conciliation and compromise and that the final treaty will be concluded by the second or third week in January.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S CHRISTMAS.

A TRIP TO ALGEROIRAS.

LONDON, December 20.

Mr Lloyd George has departed to spend Christmas and January in Algiers.

OBITUARY.

SIR EDMUND ROBBINS.

LONDON, December 21.

The death has occurred of Sir Edmund Robbins, ex Manager of the Press Association.

FOUND DEAD.

SUICIDE THOUGHT PROBABLE.

A Japanese woman named Hana Arakawa, living on the first floor of No. 54, Wellington Street, was yesterday found dead in the bed under circumstances which point to suicide. She had a girdle string tied tightly round the neck. Any suspicion of foul play is dispelled by the orderly state of the room. Her friends say that the deceased, who was about 40 years of age, had been "a little queer" since she lost her husband and eldest son during the past three months, and they think that must have unbalanced her mind.

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THE ORIGINAL "GLIDER"

WONDERS OF AUSTRALIAN
BOOMERANGS.

Some forty years ago my duties as
a Government engineer took me to
the north-east corner of New South
Wales, on the Clarence River, where
there could still be seen the remnants
of a native tribe who made their own
weapons and used them even in tribal
disputes, writes Charles Gregory in an
exchange.

I had great opportunities of studying
the flight of that truly marvellous
weapon, the "boomerang," which
may be briefly described as a bent
piece of wood curved to an angle of
90deg. to 120deg.

Its length varies from 2 to 3 feet,
and its weight is often two pounds, as
it is composed of a hard, compact
wood, to which fire has been applied
to extract all moisture. One side is
flat and the other convex, and along
the convex side runs a sharp edge.

The longest flight—out and return
—that I measured was 480 yards, and
it is impossible to believe that this
long aerial journey was wholly due to
the impulse of the thrower.

Now that I have read much about
"gliders," it appears clear to me that
the boomerang develops all the gliding
propensities found in the gliding
"planes," and more.

The best thrower I ever saw would
plant his feet firmly on the ground
and, facing the wind, select a tall tree
some two hundred yards distant.
Then, holding his boomerang in his
right hand vertically, he threw it with
all his might so that for a hundred
yards it travelled some six feet above
the ground.

At that distance it would rise as
though on waves of air until it attained
a height of 60 to 80 feet, circle the
high branches of the tree, and
gradually descending in its flight,
return to the thrower and fall at his
feet.

I believe I see now what greatly
puzzled me then—namely, how this
weapon by mere propulsion performed
so great a journey, as it undoubtedly
used the wind against it as a means of
climbing, just as the gliding "plane"
does.

In fact the native performed the
duty obtained by the glide down hill
to obtain impulse, plus the pilot's
skill in changing the centre of gravity
so as to use the air waves to beat
advantage.

Is it not, therefore, reasonable to
believe that in the secret of the flight
of the boomerang lies one of the
lessons to be learned by those who
are perfecting the aerial glider?

RACY REMINISCENCES.

BAILIFFS BY THE BEDSIDE.

MONEYLENDER AT PRAYERS.

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Of his school days Mr. Sebright
says: "I believe I am accurate in
saying that I was the youngest boy
who ever went to Eton."

An event that impressed itself on
his memory, and otherwise, was
the fogging of me by Dr. Durnford,
whom Etonians will remember
as Judy Durnford, for forcibly
kissing the housemaid. As I was
only ten years of age I considered
the punishment rather superfluous.

On unpacking his portmanteau a
young friend of his, Montagu Loftus,
a son of Lord Loftus, at that time our
Ambassador at St. Petersburg
[Petrograd], had a peculiar manner
of conveying his "empties" to the
area. He "simply threw them out
of the window."

DANCED WITH THE QUEEN.

Having failed to pass into the
Army, at the age of 19 I found
myself in the position of a gentle-
man at large about town looking
about five years older than I was,
and although still a minor, yet able
to borrow money repayable on my
coming of age, every shilling of
which I repaid immediately after
my twenty-first birthday.

As a young man Mr. Sebright
recalls with pride: "I had the
honour of dancing with her Majesty
at her first ball, she being then
Princess Mary of Teck. It was at
Lord Hopetoun's."

At his hotel in London one morning
When I woke up I rubbed my
eyes and to my astonishment there
was a man sitting on each side of
my bed. One look was enough—
"County Court warrant officers!"
I said to myself—and sure enough
they were.

With an overdrawn banking
account "my one thought was to
gain time. I rang the bell for the
head waiter—a dignified and princely
person named Thomas—and on his
arrival said to him with a wave of
my hand: "Towards my captors,
Thomas, these two gentlemen will
breakfast with me."

MISUNDERSTOOD.

It was past 11: The old man entered
the parlor, and approaching his
daughter's admirer, said: "Young
man, do you know what time it is?"
The timid youth leapt to his feet
and stammering: "Y-y-yes," hurried
into the night.

The old man stood bewildered.
"That's a queer fellow to have call-
ing on you, Mabel," he remarked.
"Why did he rush off in that fashion?"
My watch had stopped, and I merely
wanted to get the time from him to
start it going again.

Country house parties in those days,
with few exceptions, were not
cursed with that most appalling of
pastimes, cards, which frequently
nowadays spoils all social entertain-
ments and which, in my opinion,
the most boring pastime ever
devised by man. Owing to
this pestiferous habit, the art of
conversation has nearly died out,
while the harm and misery it has
caused among men and also among
married women, and even young
girls, is simply incalculable.

"I have at various periods of my
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some of them are the most unmitiga-
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who treat their clients very well
so long as their clients treat them
in the same way.

One of them with whom he had
dealings
always began the day with a long
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BIRTHS.

TONG.—On December 10, 1922, at Hang-how, to Mr. and Mrs. Sanford F. Tong, Lian-choh District Inspectorate of Salt Revenue, Hang how, a son.

NISH.—At Nathan House, Kowloon, on the 22nd, inst., to Mr. and Mrs. H. Nish, a son.

DEATH.

ANDERSON.—At Anderson on the 17th inst. T. F. Anderson of the Chinese Maritime Customs Service, Wanchow. Aged 46 years. (Shanghai papers please copy).

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DEC. 22, 1922.

NEW HOPE.

Perhaps the world's strongest reason for hoping that international unity is now returning lies in America's changed attitude towards Europe. The promise this change holds greatly outweighs the despair caused two weeks ago when the Washington treaty was practically killed, the South American and the Russian disarmament hopes were wrecked and Europe faced the gravest reparation crisis since the Armistice. This week's events show that the reaction from war which led America to hold aloof from attempts to settle Europe's problems has now exhausted itself in the face of pressing demands which involve the economic safety, not of Europe alone, but of the whole world. Convinced at last that her intervention more disinterested than that of any European power, is essential if the world is to unravel the tangle in which reparations, war debts and armaments are inextricably mixed America with characteristic

energy is getting to the very root of the whole problem. Germany faces ruin because, wilfully or otherwise, she cannot meet her reparation obligations. France desperately needing the reparations money to meet her national deficit and restore the devastated regions maintains an expensive army to give weight to her demands against the defaulter. America, seeking to have armaments reduced, shows no disposition to make things easy for her European debtors and applies the screw. Clearly, therefore, the reparations problem must be solved before it is possible to make any headway in removing the other sources of trouble, and it is the reparations problem that America is now tackling. This afternoon's cables report that her efforts have already reached the stage of negotiations with France and Britain with a view to having a commission of American business men appointed to fix a new basis for reparations payments. Britain, with her vast army of unemployed, has already assented and France's answer is now awaited. Only a fortnight ago France had practically decided to take individual action to enforce her demands against Germany, even at the risk of destroying the last remnants of the Entente, but this American overture she can scarcely afford to rebuff, not merely because she is heavily in America's debt but because it would definitely brand her blindly vindictive and place her outside the international pale. Any estimate of Germany's ability to pay made by Britain is suspect withal France who has frequently accused her ally of seeking to sacrifice the common fruits of victory to a selfish attempt to solve her unemployment problem. An estimate made by independent American business men for a Government whose only motive is to see this vital problem solved must be above suspicion. Once given an equitable basis for settlement, this root cause of Europe's economic danger should be speedily removed and with it the threat, economic and military, which now overhangs the whole world.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday afternoon committed a Chinese to stand his trial at the next Criminal Sessions for the unlawful possession of a revolver and 21 rounds of ammunition.

Surg. Com. A. McCloy, M.B., has been appointed to the "Tamar," additional, as Medical Officer in Charge, Wei-lai-wei, and for R.N. sick quarters, to date November 7.

Sir Ronald Macleay, the new British Minister to China, and Lady Macleay, have had to postpone their departure from London for Peking until to-day and will sail on the "Moros."

The Japanese training squadron, commanded by Vice Admiral Taniguchi, which arrived at Cape Town on November 8, sailed on November 13, for the Far East via Durban and Lourenco Marques.

M. Merkuloff, the former White Minister of Foreign Affairs at Vladivostok, is understood to have reached Shanghai last week under an assumed name and to be now residing in the French Concession.

Col. H.R. Stockley, R.E. who has retired, was for many years employed in India, and is to have the hon. rank of brigadier-general. He was for some years on the staff, and had field service in India, China and the late war (C.I.E.).

Lieutenant-Colonel D. M. MacLellan and Captain and Brevet-Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. Lloyd, D.S.O., of the Reserve of Officers of the King's Own Regiment, having reached the limit of liability to recall have ceased to belong to the Reserve.

The marriage of Mr. D. W. Trautman to Miss R.E. Malory-Farmer, will take place at St. John's Cathedral on Friday, January 12 at 3 p.m. Invitations are not being issued but friends will be welcome at the Church and afterwards at the Hongkong Hotel.

The scrapping of the earlier "C" class of light cruisers, several of which are on the China Station, has begun, a start being about to be made with the "Cordelia" and the "Caroline," the former having been placed on the disposal list and the latter about to be placed thereon.

Among passengers who returned from Home leave yesterday by the N.Y.K. s.s. "Katori Maru" were Mr. W. O. Lambert, first assistant Government marine surveyor, and Mrs. Lambert; also Mr. J. M. Ramsay of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.'s staff, with Mrs. Ramsay and two daughters.

The action for alleged breach of contract which came before Mr. Justice Gompertz yesterday, in which the plaintiffs Messrs. John Mannes and Co., Ltd. sued for a claim of \$399.05, Wong Tung-shuk ore and metal merchant, was adjourned for the judge to consider the law, as it applied to this particular case.

Vice-Admiral Sir Michael Culme-Seymour, Bart., an officer very well known on the China Station, has been selected for the appointment of Commander in Chief of the North America and West Indies Station, which now links up in the Pacific with the China Station. He will take over the appointment at the beginning of 1923.

Lai Sik, a motor-car driver, was again before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday afternoon on a charge of manslaughter. Defendant was alleged to have caused the death of a road-mending foreman through the negligent driving of motor car No. 79 on the Chuanwan Road, New Territories, on October 27. After some evidence had been given the hearing was further adjourned.

The first copy of the medal struck by the London School of Tropical Medicine to commemorate the services of Sir Patrick Manson, for long the medical adviser to the Colonial Office, has just been minted and presented to his widow. It is the intention of the school to present the medal annually to students of distinction in clinical work. The medal bears the portrait of Sir Patrick Manson.

During the recent election campaign at Home, Mr. Harold Begbie suggested that voters of the Spinkbrook Division, especially the women voters, should ask Mr. Amery "whether he will make it his duty to see that immediate justice is done to Commander Haslewood," without whose self-sacrificing support of Mrs. Haslewood a system utterly abhorrent to English nature would still be flourishing under the British flag. The reference is to child slavery in Hongkong, and it is alleged because Commander H. L. Haslewood, R.N., refused to prevent his wife from publishing the facts, pressure was put upon him to resign his appointment at Hongkong.

PRIZE GIVING.

VICTORIA BRITISH SCHOOL.

THE YEAR "A GAME OF CHES."

Yesterday the annual distribution of prizes took place at the Victoria British School where parents and friends of the pupils gathered together to see the results of the past year's work.

During the afternoon the pupils cleverly entertained the visitors with choruses and solo items. Those in charge of the School evidently attach great importance to singing lessons and for pupils so young it was remarkable that they should have been able with such facility to give a French rendering of several of the songs. These pupils who contributed recitations to the programme were—"The First Geography Lesson," by Annie Stewart; "Do Careful Boys," by Jack Wilson; "The Selfish Goblin," by Edith Glendinning; "Le Tambour Creux," by Edna Corven; "Beside McCubbin and Willis Eldridge," and "Le Chien et le Chat," by Laura Dunsfield and Willie Foulds.

The Headmistress, Miss Birt, read the report as follows:—The history of the year that has just finished has been somewhat catastrophic—I am not sure that "Kaleidoscope" would not be a more accurate term to describe the variations in the staff. It has been one long series of changes unavoidable, but none the less unfortunate.

In March, Mrs. Clarke went home for a much needed holiday, and for a time Miss Newholme acted as Head. In April she handed over charge to Miss Cooper, B.A., but, at the end of one month, Miss Cooper was obliged to go into hospital, and so passed over the reins of government to Mr. Brawn and Mrs. Brawn. Mrs. Brawn had both been ill, Mrs. Brawn with a broken leg which kept her in hospital for weeks, and the school was carried on under great difficulties, with this depleted staff. Fortunately Mrs. Gooch had temporarily joined the staff, and was able to carry on the infant work.

May and June passed with only minor absences, but, during the holidays, I followed Mrs. Brawn's example—fortunately not with such dire results, but the accident necessitated my going into hospital on my return and there I spent the first three weeks of the term—my place being taken by Miss Newholme once more. By this time Mrs. Gooch had departed, partly for health and partly for family reasons, and her place was taken for a few weeks by Mrs. Masson. Soon Mrs. Masson found herself unable to keep on, and then Mrs. Evans joined the staff. I may say in passing that she is a most valuable acquisition.

In October, Mrs. Atwell joined us from the Kowloon School, and for a very short time we were able to divide up mixed classes and give special attention to backward children. But such a state of things was obviously too good to last. At the beginning of November, Mrs. Shaftain departed to the Matilda Hospital with a bad attack of pleurisy, and it was only on Monday last that she reappeared.

Finally, and for health reasons again, for several weeks we have been deprived of the help of Mrs. Ross, the drill and needlework mistress. That is the tragic history of the year. But in spite of it, some good work I think, has been done, and in my opinion the tone of the school is good. The number on the books at present is 60. There was a time when I nourished a hope that those numbers might considerably increase, but so far that hope has not been realized. The health of the pupils has been quite fair—minor ills, such as dengue and malaria, have accounted for the lowering the attendance average, but there has been no epidemic and only one case of serious illness. The curriculum has remained much the same. We have regretfully had to omit Cookery, and Upper School drawing, but hope they may be restarted after the new year. On the other hand we have been able to give more time to French, and, I think, with good results.

A "COURTESY PRIZE."

One innovation has been made in the prize list. A prize is being given this year, called the "Courtesy Prize." It has been awarded by vote to the girl—it happens to be a girl—who is considered by the school to be the most courteous and unselfish of them all. No suggestions were made by the staff—it was left entirely to the pupils, and all, with the exception of the infant class, voted—and the prize is consequently given to Miss Polley. I should like to add that we are all eminently satisfied with the choice. Another prize—that for needlework—has also, I think, not previously been given, and that is awarded to Helen Stewart in Class 7. Owing to Mrs. Ross's absence there was, unfortunately, no examination this term, but Helen obtained 94 per cent.

LOCAL WEDDING.

GLOVER-EDWARDS.

At St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon on Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Claude W. Glover, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Grey Glover, of Cranberry Avenue, Southampton, was married to Miss Winifred Arice Edwards, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Edwards of Shanghai and Kowloon.

A large gathering of friends witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. G. R. Lindsay. Mr. Victor B. Glover, of Shanghai (the bridegroom's brother), acted as best man, while Mr. T. Martin presided at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a pretty gown of white satin and silk piece lace, with lace train trimmed with silk fringe, and orange blossom and white heather. Her veil was of silk embroidered tulle and she carried a beautiful bouquet of white chrysanthemums and roses. She was attended by two bridesmaids—the Misses Nettie and Sadie Thorburn, who were prettily attired in dresses of cream lace net over pink satin, with Dutch lace caps. They carried baskets of pink roses. The bride's mother was dressed in mauve coloured figured silk, with beaded georgette to match, and a black pan velvet hat.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Station Hotel, which had been nicely decorated for the occasion. There were many guests to offer the happy couple felicitations. Their health was drunk, following a nice little speech by Mr. D. A. Purves, to which the bridegroom responded. The happy couple left in the evening for England where the honeymoon is being spent. Later they are journeying to "North China." The bride's going-away dress was of cream serge, trimmed with silk braid, with a hat of rose coloured pan-velvet.

News has been received from home that Major Donald MacDonald, who died on November 5 from heart failure, was buried in the churchyard at Virginia Water on November 8.

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I saw the Club v. Civil Service (friendly match) last Saturday. The Civil servants gave a moderate display of batting, against some well-varied bowling and fielding it must be confessed. But their fielding was very second rate. Never before have I seen a Civil Service first eleven so slovenly. That redoubtable veteran, Tom Pearce, for once found an approach to his old form and his success was a severe indictment of modern methods of batting. Making most of his run on the off, he played the fast bowling in the old-fashioned way, trusting to honest driving and not trying to hook or pull balls coming along at sixty miles an hour.

Several chances marred his century, but none of them was accepted. For him, he was unusually restrained at the beginning of the innings, but when well-set and especially when the visitors' total had been passed, he opened his shoulders till stamped when stepping out to one of Wood's slows. The league match between the two clubs will not be played till March 17 at Happy Valley. I understand that neither Pearce nor Hancock will be here then and unless the Civil Service team is sadly depleted I expect them to win, or at least to get the better of a draw.

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CRICKET.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It was a happy inspiration to play a Medicos v. Padres match last week. A really sporting game in the true cricket sense was seen by the small crowd of spectators who were fortunate enough to be present. While on the subject, why not other professional teams? I think the schoolmasters have the strongest of all sides; some of the older residents may recall a holiday game played a few years ago, when our schoolmasters met the pick of the Colony's cricketers. There may be a number of cricket enthusiasts in the local press so I shall not be surprised to hear of a journalist's eleven.

The University teams have not dropped a point in both divisions of the League. In previous seasons, the Varsity could only claim a modest place in the competition although several of their batsmen figured prominently in the averages—this being probably due to the ease with which the boundary is reached on their small ground. True they have not met the best teams but three wins straight off the bat is a happy, angry and nothing succeeds like success. Still I liked the way Balhatchot and Co. crumpled up Kowloon, last year's champions, and then proceeded to hit off the requisite number of runs at a good rate. Of their remaining matches they play the R.G.A., Civil Service, Infantry and Indians at home and the C.R.C. and Club away. Should the advantage of playing on their own pitch help them to obtain any degree of success they will have gone a long way towards establishing themselves at the head of the League Table. The second eleven has not been seen in public sufficiently often for an opinion to be formed but they seem to have the nucleus of a well-balanced eleven.

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well-balanced teams have been chosen and the majority of the teams have played together before. Also the stumper has regularly stood up to the bowlers, an advantage which the service teams do not possess.

SEASON'S AVERAGES.
Appended are the leading batting and bowling averages (League Matches only) of cricketers who have participated in at least two games. Some of the batting figures are the result of one or more "not-outs" and those will automatically disappear as the season progresses.

BATTING AVERAGES.

FIRST LEAGUE.	
Fincher (S.S.C.C.)	71.00
Wood (S.S.C.C.)	65.00
A. A. Ramjahn (University)	46.00
Sayer (S.S.C.C.)	44.00
Quick (University)	24.33
Blackburn (Kowloon)	23.00
Gittens (University)	23.00
T. E. Yeoh (University)	21.33
Spinks (Kowloon)	20.50
SECOND LEAGUE.	
Hammond (R.E.)	69.50
Wahup (I.R.C.)	49.00
Petheram (Kowloon)	41.00
Redpath (R.E.)	33.00
Wah (R.E.)	29.00
Alexander (Police)	29.00
R. Barnshaw (Police)	26.66
Nazarin (I.R.C.)	25.50
C. Barnshaw (Police)	25.00
E. Moosden (I.R.C.)	23.00
Edwards (Kowloon)	22.25
O. Ramjahn (I.R.C.)	20.00

A. A. Ramjahn has the highest aggregate in the First League, viz.—138 and Hammond 139 in the Second League.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

FIRST LEAGUE.	
Balhatchot (University)	16-3.50
Reed (S.S.C.C.)	11-0.56
Hamilton (S.S.C.C.)	4-0.50
Ramjahn (University)	8-8.00
SECOND LEAGUE.	
Townsend (R.E.)	15-7.53
C. Barnshaw (Police)	13-7.82
Shetton (Kowloon)	0-8.33
Hyde (Kowloon)	3-8.33
F. M. Arcelli (J.R.C.)	9-9.00
Corvin (S.S.C.C.)	6-9.17
Watts (Police)	6-9.33
Fraser (R.E.)	7-9.57

LEAGUE TABLE.

FIRST LEAGUE.				
	P.	W.	D.	P.TS.
University	3	3	0	9
Civil Service	2	1	0	4
R.G.A.	1	1	0	3
Indians	1	0	1	1
Cranngower	1	0	1	0
C.R.C.	1	0	1	0
Navy	1	0	1	0
Kowloon	2	0	2	0

N.B.—H.K.C.C. and Infantry have not played a league match as yet.

SECOND LEAGUE.				
	P.	W.	D.	P.TS.
Police	3	2	1	7
R.E.	3	2	0	6
Indians 2nd XI	2	1	1	4
University 2nd XI	1	1	0	3
Civil Service 2nd XI	3	0	1	2
Kowloon 2nd XI	4	0	1	3

(Note.—A win counts 3 points, a draw 1 point.)

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

Among the fixtures down for Saturday (from the lute to hand) are the following:—

LEAGUE.

FIRST DIVISION.

C.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.
R.G.A. v. I.R.C.

SECOND DIVISION.

I.R.C. 2nd XI v. R.E.
FRIENDLY.

University v. Infantry.
Kowloon 2nd XI v. Civil Service 2nd XI.

Cranngower v. Police.
H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. Wayfoong.
(To be played on the first-named clubs grounds.)

The Club should have no difficulty in disposing of the C.R.C. A few weeks ago, the Chinese team was severely trounced on the Club ground in a "friendly." At Happy Valley, I expect a close game. Unless Davies causes a collapse, I think the game will end in a draw as the Indians have a habit of batting very slowly. The R.E.'s should account for the Indians second eleven; but after the showing last Saturday, anything might happen.—W.P.C.

Whooping Cough.

When your child has whooping cough be careful to keep the cough loose, and excretion away by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as it may not do it. This remedy will also lightly soothe the throat and make the child's cough easier to get over. It has been used successfully in many epidemics and is as certain as any medicine in the world by all Chemists and Druggists.

ARMS TRAFFIC.

OFFENCES BY EUROPEANS.

CRIMINAL COURT COMMENT.

ANOTHER SERIOUS CHARGE.

In a serious case of unlawful arms possession at this morning's sitting of the Criminal Sessions it was urged by defending counsel (Mr. Campbell Prosser) that cases where Europeans were unlawfully possessed of arms ought to be regarded with greater seriousness than cases where the defendants were uneducated Chinese. To this point Mr. Justice Gompertz, the presiding judge, replied that if by chance any Europeans were brought to Court on such a charge, they would be adequately dealt with.

The case was one in which two Chinese, Chan Kiu and Yang Shun Chuen, were charged with being in unlawful possession of 157 revolvers, three machine guns, nine magazines, four automatic revolvers and several thousand rounds of ammunition.

The jury was composed of the following: Messrs. F. J. V. (Chairman), J. M. F. (Foreman), G. M. (Judge), H. F. (Judge), C. M. (Judge), C. P. (Judge) and A. C. (Judge).

The prisoners were represented by Mr. Campbell Prosser and the Crown Solicitor (Mr. H. K. Holmes) presented.

Chan Kiu pleaded guilty and Yang Shun Chuen, not guilty. The facts of the case were that on December 29 a cargo boat in charge of prisoners anchored in Victoria Harbour was searched by the police, resulting in the discovery of the arms mentioned.

On giving his defence for the first prisoner, Mr. Prosser agreed that the ammunition found was of an appalling quantity. Prisoner had admitted his guilt but at the same time he knew—his Lordship would give a rightly and sympathetically to every thing one could say in favour of the prisoner. He wished to point out, in the first instance, that the facts of this case were far different from many cases of attempts to import arms into the colony. None of these arms which prisoner was under sentence for importing were meant for the Colony but for Canton.

His Lordship: I don't think so. Continuing, Mr. Prosser said that this junk was at the central wharf and had been there for some days. Prisoner was the junk owner, or probably partner and earned his living by being master of that junk but he was neither the vendor nor was he the purchaser of those arms. He was the carrier only. Counsel said he did not wish to minimise the offence but in law they could always put forward extenuating circumstances. Honestly, the prisoner knew it must be wrong to run against the laws of the Colony but what he did not know and where his case was so different from others was that he did not realise the gravity of the crime. He was an uneducated man but one European or one educated Chinese could carry one or two revolvers, come ashore and ask an outrageous price for the arms, realising the dastardly uses these revolvers might be put to them. He did not think accused was as guilty as one European with revolvers who came on shore to sell them. He hoped His Lordship would make a distinction in a case of this kind where a man was simply using his junk for transport purposes and not against the spirit of the law.

His Lordship agreed that Counsel had made a full defence for the prisoner but he had not the smallest doubt that prisoner knew he was breaking the law and he must take a serious view of it. So far educated people had not been brought up at the Supreme Court but if they did come there they would be adequately dealt with. He did not see how he could give prisoner less than five years' hard labour.

Mr. H. K. Holmes then proceeded to prosecute in the case of the other prisoner.

A clean bill of health was returned for the Colony yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Learmouth Gilchrist and their two daughters have left home for Singapore and Hongkong for the winter months.

A useful date block and a calendar which effectively call attention to the merits of "Bear Brand Swiss Milk" have been forwarded to this office.

The accountant of Messrs. Ault and Wiborg Co., Ltd., of No. 81, Des Voeux Road Central, reports that the company's godown, No. 460, Connaught Road West, was entered during last night by means of a duplicate key. Thirteen cases of printing ink worth \$1,700 were stolen.

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS.

VISIT TO CANTON.

A FOOTBALL MISAP.

A party of 60 Hongkong University students arrived in Canton by train on Tuesday afternoon. Most of them are staying at the Hotel Asia, and a few remained with friends or relatives.

On Wednesday morning, the party, directed by Prof. M. H. Roffey, visited the Kwangtung Electric Supply Station and the Wireless Station on the Bund. They were kindly shown around the buildings as well as all the engines at work.

On Thursday morning they visited the Kwangtung Arsenal at Shekheung. They were shown the workshops by General Wong Keung and two of his assistants. They intended to visit the Water Works but unfortunately it was too late in the evening so they had to return to the Hotel. This morning they will visit the Mint and the match factories nearby.

Some of the athletes took part in games. On Wednesday, they had a basketball game with the Canton Christian College. The College won by 57 points to 5.

The same day the 'Varsity' athletes also had a football match with the C.C.C. players.

The players representing the 'Varsity' were S. A. M. Sepher (Capt.), S. O. Shabudin (Vice Capt.), Dr. Samy, Douglas Laing, Lee Man Sik, J. Guddar, Lee Boon Choo, Au Boon Jin, Hu Chiu Man, T. L. Cheah, H. Bragg (goal-keeper). They carried off a victory against the C. C. C. players by 1 to nil.

Yesterday, four of the 'Varsity' tennis players had a tennis match with the C. C. C. players. The players representing the 'Varsity' were Dr. Samy, S. A. M. Sepher, Douglas Laing and M. S. Lee.

The same afternoon they had a football match at Shumee Football ground with a combined team of the Shamoon Club, The Customs and H. M. S. "Cicada". The 'Varsity' players were over taxed, for they had four of their best players who played tennis the same morning with the C. C. C. In the first half, two goals were in favour of the "combined" team. In the second half, three more goals were in favour of the "combined" team.

Toward the end of the match one of the 'Varsity' players, the centre forward, Dr. Samy, unfortunately had his left collar bone fractured and he was taken to the Shamoon Hospital where First Aid was applied. His case was not very serious, but it is believed that it may take him a fortnight or so to recover. The 'Varsity' players, though they had only ten, with one of their best players knocked out, still managed to net one goal towards nearly the end of the match.

The 'Varsity' tennis players will have a tennis match to-day with the C. C. C. in a double tournament. The Hongkong players are S. A. M. Sepher and Douglas Laing, M. K. Yiu and H. M. Soo, S. N. Chan and B. J. Au. The match will begin at about 10.30 o'clock in the morning. Amongst those in the party are Professor M. H. Roffey, M. Sc., of Electrical Engineering; Mr. J. Ring, B.Sc., Lecturer in Civil and Mechanical Engineering; Mr. D. W. Morley, M. A., Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering; Mr. W. M. Gittins, B. Sc., Demonstrator in Mechanical Engineering; T. P. Fan, Chairman of the Hongkong University Engineering Society; G. L. Khoo, Secretary of the Hongkong University Engineering Society; T. L. Cheah, Chairman of the Hongkong 'Varsity' Athletic Association; Yiu Man Kwong, Secretary of the Hongkong University Athletic Association; Mr. Hunt, B. Sc., Chan Yin Nin, B. Sc., Dr. Samy, Mr. Metaphia and others.

Half of the party will leave for Hongkong by train this afternoon and the other half by to-morrow's train. The students had their vacation from December 9, 1922, to January 8, 1923. Their visit to Canton is to view the different places as well as to take part in some games with the Canton athletes.

RUSSIAN REFUGEES AT SHANGHAI.

SOVIET GOVERNMENT'S OFFER.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 22.

The Soviet government has through the mission at Peking, offered Admiral Stark and the Russian refugees now at Woosung, full amnesty provided they return to Russian waters and land over all unseized and other property belonging to the Soviet.

The refugees are still held up at Woosung owing to the Chinese authorities' refusal to allow them to land due to lack of employment in Shanghai.

THIRTEEN CASES OF PRINTING INK WORTH \$1,700 WERE STOLEN.

DODGING OBACCO DUTY.

FORGED "DUTY" PAID.

For the unlawful possession of 500 dutiable cigarettes of "Hundred Sparrows" brand, a Chinese who was arrested in Yau, was this morning fined \$100 (or 11 weeks' jail) by Mr. R. E. Lindell. It was mentioned in the prosecution that all the packets in which the cigarettes were contained, were forged "duty paid" marks.

Another Chinese was charged with unlawful possession of 3,500 cigarettes of the same brand, on which duty had not been paid. In this case, Chief Preventive Officer Clark asked for a remand. A forged "duty paid" was found in the defendant's possession, and the Inspector thought defendant was actually putting the "duty paid" mark on the packets when he was arrested. Inspector Clark said he did not know whether a criminal charge could be preferred against the accused, but he would like to consult the Crown Solicitor on the subject.

A remand was given until to-morrow. Bail was fixed in the sum of \$1,000.

STEAMBOAT COY. MEETS.

NEW ARTICLES ADOPTED.

At an extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., which took place at noon to-day the following resolution proposed by the Chairman (Mr. E. V. D. P. R.) and seconded by Mr. V. M. Grayburn was unanimously carried:—

"That the new articles already approved by this meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the articles of the company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing articles thereof."

Besides the Chairman there were present:—Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. W. E. Clarke and Mr. D. G. M. Bennett (Directors), Mr. John Arnold (Secretary), Mr. W. E. L. Sheaton (Company's legal adviser) and the following shareholders: Messrs. V. M. Grayburn, Lo Yuk Tong, Mok Hing Kiu, Chau Tsun Nin, T. G. Weall, J. M. V. de Figueiredo, J. J. Losius, Mok Wing Yue, H. Smythe and Mowbray S. Northcott.

SMASHED RICSHA.

MUDDLED MARINE'S PRANK.

Pte. John R. Prendergast, R.M.L.I., was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning with having damaged a ricksha in Chater Road late last night. Defendant who pleaded guilty said he engaged the ricksha outside the Hongkong Hotel and told the coolie to drive to the Naval Yard. Instead of doing so, the coolie pulled him round the town and then dropped the shafts in Chater Road, throwing him (defendant) out. The coolie then ran off, and defendant said he "foolishly" proceeded to "smash up the ricksha."

Defendant admitted that he had had a little drink but was not drunk. The coolie's story was that defendant wanted to drive to the Naval Yard, but as soon as witness turned to go east defendant insisted that he was going in the wrong direction and forcing him to put the shafts down, tried to hit him. The witness ran away and defendant proceeded to damage the ricksha.

The Magistrate fined defendant \$5 and ordered him to pay \$5 as compensation to the coolie.

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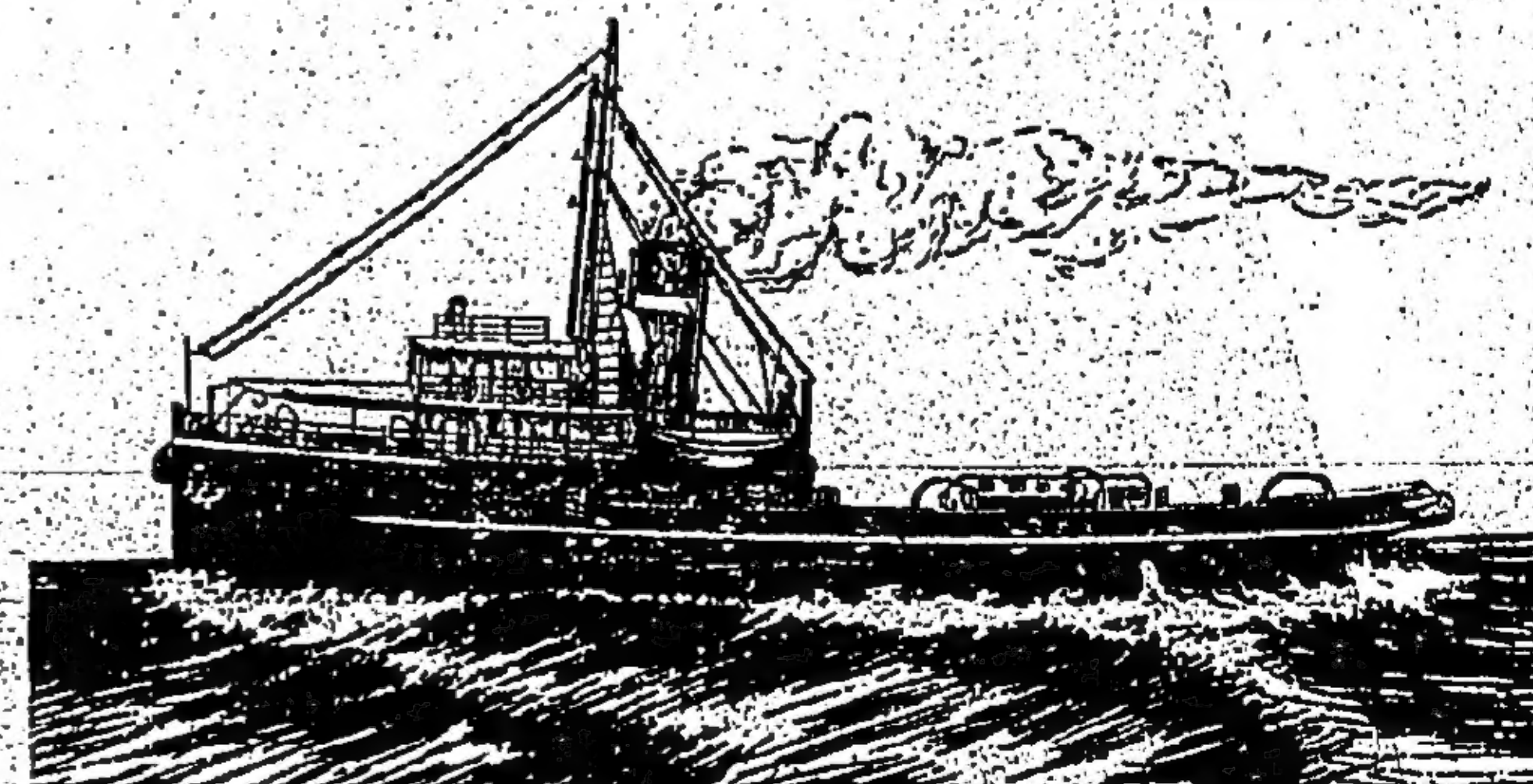
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(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

WESTERN EDUCATION FOR CHINESE STUDENTS.

LONDON, December 21st.

When, testing the Chinese Students' Central Union of Great Britain, at the annual dinner of the union this evening, Mr. Chao Shun Chai (Chinese Charge d'Affaires) emphasised its great value to students.

Continuing, he dwelt on the special advantage of studying in Great Britain, which was the most constitutional country in the world, and the most democratic in spirit.

He urged China's need of a permanent constitution, more complete and more suitable than the present provisional one, and hoped that if some of those present reached home in time to help in forming it, they would remember the lessons acquired in Great Britain. He trusted that, in any case, the new constitution would be made public at the earliest possible moment, and that it would become effective, so that China, as a whole, would be able to maintain order and tranquillity.

The speaker reminded the students, however, of the impossibility of transporting the civilization and constitution of one country bodily to another, urging abstention from agitation, intolerance and over-optimism, and said that people, in these times, were only too ready to suggest that China was suffering from evil which were insuperable; but this was not so. Every nation passed through a transitional period.

The speaker finally admonished them to maintain and increase the high prestige Chinese students already enjoyed in Great Britain.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN THE "MAIL."

ENTERTAINMENTS.

December 22.—Coronet Theatre; Douglas Fairbanks in "The Three Musketeers," World Theatre; Buck Jones in "Firebrand Truison," Kowloon Theatre; "Man and his Woman," Booking opens at Moutries for the A.D.C. Xmas Production of Shakespeare's "The Tempest," Theatre Royal.

December 23.—World Theatre; Virginia Valli and Matt Moore in "The Storm."

December 23.—January 2.—Theatre Royal; "The Tempest."

SOCIAL EVENTS.

December 23.—Police Recreation Club Xmas draw 5.30 p.m.

SPORTING EVENTS.

December 23.—Theatre Royal; Next Boxing Tournament.

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"NADPORE"	6,301	10th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way.
"SARDINIA"	6,701	18th Jan.	Marseilles, London & A'warp.
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Dec. 28.-N.Y.K. Kamakura Maru.

28.-N.Y.K. Moji Maru.

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Russia" from Hongkong on Nov. 20

arrived at Vancouver on Dec. 18.

The C. P. S. R.M.S. "Empress of

Asia" was now due here at 2 p.m. to-day

and is lying at Pier No. 6, Kowloon

Wharf.

The B. F. s.s. "Dion" left Liver-

pool on Nov. 8 for Straits, Hongkong,

Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is

expected to arrive at this port on or

about Dec. 23.

The P. F. s.s. "Cathia" for New

York and Boston left Shanghai on Dec.

19 for this port; is due here on Dec. 23

and will be despatched hence via Manila

on Dec. 24 at daylight.

The B. F. s.s. "Dion" from Liver-

pool left Singapore on Dec. 18 for this

port and is due here on Dec. 24.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Kamakura Maru"

(Bombay Line) left Kobe for Hongkong

via Moji on Dec. 19 and is expected here

on Dec. 23.

The P. M. s.s. "President Lincoln"

sailed from San Francisco on Nov. 29,

with a full complement of passengers

and freight. She is due at this port on

Dec. 23 sailing for Manila on Dec. 24

and arriving at that port on Dec. 26.

The T.R.E. s.s. "Korea Maru" ar-

rived at Yokohama on Dec. 19 and sailed

Dec. 14 for Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai

and Manila, being due at Hongkong

on Dec. 23.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Moji Maru" (Rom-

bay Line) left Bombay for Hongkong

via Singapore on Dec. 19 and is expected

here on Dec. 23.

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pool left Port Said on Dec. 7 for this

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about Dec. 23.

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due to arrive Hongkong on Dec. 23.

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Pacific Ports left Seattle on Dec. 1 for

this port and is expected to arrive here

on Dec. 30.

The C. P. S. R.M.S. "Empress of

Canada" left Vancouver for Hongkong

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14 and is due here on Jan. 1.

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cutta Line) left Calcutta for Hongkong

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"TRUTH" ON THE WAR PATH.

SOME ANGLO-CHINESE VENTURES.

Some interesting communications have reached me from Hongkong and Hankow in reference to certain Anglo-Chinese concerns which were dealt with in "Truth" a short time ago, writes "Truth" in mail week. The promoter was a financial crook named E. A. Enever, and the concerns in question were domiciled with the rest of his large family of joint-stock wild cats at 77, Knightsbridge. My disclosures of his disreputable character and career occasioned some fluttering among investors, mostly retired officers, who had been roped in by offers of directorships, etc., and in the case of Humphrey and Denman, Ltd., I was subsequently told that the connection with Enever had been severed and officers taken elsewhere. It may be remembered that Humphrey and Denman, Ltd., was to acquire mining concessions in the Province of Hunan, Central China, from one Archibald Grant, and to become the parent of a group of companies for the exploitation of the properties. In this programme the Anglo-Chinese Trust and Mercantile Corporation, another of Enever's wild cats, was to play a leading part. Upwards of £20,000 was subscribed for shares of Humphrey and Denman, and as a beginning of this great enterprise some of the subscribers—military men with no mining qualifications or commercial experience—were sent on missions to China.

In August publicity was given in a London paper to particulars of the Anglo-Chinese Corporation, in which were embodied extracts from a report by Lieut. Col. M. F. McTaggart, D.S.O., one of the directors of Humphrey and Denman, who went to China to investigate the mining concessions. According to these particulars, he was confident that no law could be found in the concessions, and though it was admitted that he was "not a coal expert," it appeared that he was convinced of the value of the mines. It was further stated that in addition to mines, the corporation was acquiring a concession for the reconstruction of the City of Changsha, the deepening of the harbour and other improvements, entailing an expenditure of £16,000,000, for which the Central Government of China would authorise an issue of 8 per cent. gold bonds. From London this story has found its way to Hankow, where, I am assured, it has excited the devotion of the business community. The *Central China Post*, whose editor writes with nearly half a century's knowledge of the country, mercilessly ridicules the whole scheme. So far as the mines are concerned, it is pointed out that in the last twenty years any amount of money has been spent by foreign syndicates in attempts to work such concessions in the Province of Hunan, but always unsuccessfully, owing to the inveterate opposition of the local population, coupled with mining regulations designed to prevent foreign ownership or control. As to the Changsha proposition, the *Post* goes on to say that it is preposterously impracticable and hints that it must have been paid off on someone by "a bunch of native smart Alces" out to feather their own nests.

There have also been some critical references to these enterprises in the *Hongkong Daily Press*, and a Hongkong correspondent has sent me a print of a draft prospectus, marked private and confidential, of a proposed Anglo-Chinese Mercantile Co., Ltd. The draft named Brigadier-General Sir H. Godfrey Morgan, Mr. Archibald Grant (of Hankow), Lieut. Colonel M. F. McTaggart, and Major T. C. Fitzhugh as directors of the company, which was "shrewdly to be incorporated" in Hongkong with a dollar capitalisation, as a subsidiary of the Anglo-Chinese Trust and Mercantile Corporation. Humphrey and Denman, Ltd., were named as London agents. However, I gather that nothing has come of this project.

Although the office of Humphrey and Denman, Ltd., was removed from 77 Knightsbridge, the separation of the company from Enever does not

CRICKET.

"HAWKINS" v. "TAMAR."

This match was played at Happy Valley yesterday and resulted in a comfortable win for the Flagship by 31 runs.

TAMAR.	
Rev. Purcell, b Gardiner	26
Rev. Crole-Rees, c Bond, b Norman	14
Ch. Shipt, Moore, b Gardiner	0
Pte. Williams, c Norman	0
Capt. Williams, c Gardiner, b Norman	4
Com. Grace, c Young, b Norman	1
Capt. Quinlan, c Gardiner, b Norman	28
P.O. Tisley, c Baker, b Norman	1
Pte. Leach, b Baker	1
P.O. Steward, not out	4
Extras	2
Total	81

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gardiner	13	7	11	2
Norman	15.3	2	64	0
Baker	3	1	5	2

HAWKINS.

Lt.-Com. Hamilton, b Leach	1
Mus. Wilson, c Purcell, b Steward	33
Ch. Wtr. Baker, b Quinlan	25
Lt. Dundas, b Quinlan	9
Rees	0
Mus. Norman, not out	13
Lt. St. Alexander, b Quinlan	0
P.O. Vergine, b Quinlan	4
Pte. Young, b Leach	11
Pte. Bond, run out	0
Mus. Tilling, b Leach	1
Extras	8
Total	112

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Leach	9.1	29	3	0
Steward	4	0	24	1
Quinlan	10	2	31	4
Crole-Rees	5	0	20	1

"St. Elizabeth's Rose" the 2nd opera produced by the pupils of the Anglo-French School, Causeway Bay, in aid of the charitable works of St. Paul's Institution delighted large audiences on Wednesday night and again last night. The audience at Wednesday night's performance included Rev. Fr. Robert, Mr. E. Ralph (Inspector of English Schools), Mr. Teeddale Mackintosh, Mr. Percy Smith and Mr. Tanner (Headmaster of Queen's College). Last night's performance was for the benefit of the children, and the hall was again crowded.

seem to have been so complete as I was led to suppose. He took part in a meeting of the shareholders last week, over which Brigadier-General Sir Godfrey Morgan presided. I understand that the shareholders—several of them retired officers who have been badly let down—were told in effect that the company had come to the end of its resources. It must either wind up or else try to raise more money to fulfil its contract for the acquisition of the mining concessions. Lieut. Col. McTaggart strongly advocated winding up, which, in view of the position of the company, was obviously the proper course. It was not adopted, however, and at the close of the meeting he resigned the managing directorship. Shareholders in companies of this sort are always ready to clutch at straws rather than face the inevitable crash. Nothing definite was settled, but it was suggested that Alexander Allan and Co.—the bankrupt Enever's so-called bank—should be asked to raise further capital. If further capital is raised it is as certain as anything can be that it will not benefit the existing shareholders, but will simply mean the throwing of good money after bad.

By the way, some of the information I have received from China relates to the Sino-British Trade Association, which originally was a stable companion of the above mentioned enterprise at 77 Knightsbridge, but removed to another address. I may have something to say about the association next week.

FOOTBALL.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

TO-MORROW'S LEAGUE GAMES.

The following is the League programme for tomorrow:

FIRST DIVISION.

King's v. Hawkins. Sookumpoo "A" ground.

Ambrose v. R.G.A. Navy. "A" ground.

Tamar v. Police. South China ground.

Kowloon v. Titania. Kowloon (Hinghom) ground.

Durban v. Club Navy. "B" ground.

Kick off at 4 p.m. sharp.

SECOND DIVISION.

R.G.A. v. United. Sookumpoo "A" ground.

Titania v. Kowloon. Navy "B" ground.

Hawkins v. Ambrose. Club ground.

Durban v. Auxiliaries. St. Joseph's ground.

(Kick off 4 p.m.)

University v. Marazion. Navy "A" ground.

King's v. St. Joseph's. St. Joseph's ground.

South China "A" v. Wanderers. South China ground.

Kick off at 2.30 p.m.

The game for tomorrow is undoubtedly that between the King's and the Hawkins, and a record crowd is expected at Sookumpoo. Jones was injured in the game against the Police last week, and it is doubtful if he will be able to turn out tomorrow. The Hawkins also have Barkham on the injured list, but he is expected to be fit to take his place in the team. The Sailors went down to the R.G.A. last week, but they were very unfortunate, the winning goal being a very lucky one. On the run of the play the result should have been reversed. A fast game should be seen to-morrow and my prediction of the result is a draw.

The Ambrose are at home to the Gunners on the Navy "A" ground, and on recent form they should win. However the Gunners have a funny knack of upsetting calculations, and they will be out to reverse the result of the previous game between them.

Tamar—Police should be an interesting game. The former have not been doing very well just lately, whilst the latter have yet to register their first win. They will be without Swan but otherwise they will be at full strength. There is a possibility of their taking the points but a more likely result is a draw.

Kowloon receive the Titania on the Railway ground. They do pretty well on their own ground, but I fancy they will find the Sailors too good for them. The latter should come away richer by two points.

The Club are away to it week. They meet the Durban on Navy "B" ground. The Sailors showed improved form against the Tamar last week, and they are sure to give the former a good run for their money. I was not at all impressed with the Club's display against the Titania last week. They certainly did not deserve to win and they will have to do much better to-morrow if they want to annex the points. I expect to see the Sailors just get home.

In the Second Division there will be two matches on the St. Joseph's ground. The first one at 2.30 will be that between the King's and St. Joseph's. The latter are undefeated so far but they will have to go all out to retain this record to-morrow. A fast and even game should result in a draw.

The second one at 4 p.m. is Durban v. Auxiliaries and on form the Sailors should win.

The Gunners receive the United at Sookumpoo, and the latter should come away with the points.

The Titania—Kowloon match should end in a win for the Sailors, and the Chinese "A" team should also win their game against the Wanderers.

Hawkins—Ambrose game should end in a draw, whilst the University should win against the Marazion.

On Boxing Day the England v. Scotland match takes place on the Club ground kick off at 4 p.m. sharp. The proceeds of this match will be devoted to charities, so it is to be hoped that followers of the sport will roll up, and beside enjoying a good game, will give freely of their spare cash.

The game should be a good one as both teams are expected to turn out as advertised. On paper the English team appear to be the strongest, but League form is not to be relied upon during the holidays. Still I expect to see them win.

BOXING.

TO-MORROW'S TOURNAMENT.

MAIN EVENT ALTERED.

Mr. T. G. Bennett, the acting hon. secretary of the Hongkong Boxing Association writes:—

"I should be grateful if you would refer in your columns to the fact that owing to injuries to the hand of A. B. Duncan his contest with C. P. O. Callaghan will not take place to-morrow night as advertised. The Boxing Association have arranged to substitute a fifteen round contest for the Heavyweight championship of the Colony and for the Hongkong Exchange Brokers' Association Belt between C. P. O. Callaghan of H.M.S. Titania and Pte. S. Ainsworth, Royal Marines.

CRICKET.

K.O.C. 2ND v. H.K.C.C. 2ND.

To be played at Kowloon on Boxing Day, commencing at 10 a.m.

The following will play for Kowloon—A. O. Brown, H. Overy, W. J. Shenton, W. Hyde, W. L. Weaver, E. J. Edwards, J. C. Fletcher, N. L. Ralston, H. H. Benson, S. Jex and F. G. Herdridge.

K.C.C. 2ND v. C.S.C.C. 2ND.

The following will represent Kowloon 2nd XI at home to-morrow at 2.15 p.m.—A. O. Brown, W. Hyde, W. L. Weaver, E. J. Edwards, J. C. Fletcher, N. L. Ralston, R. F. Lindsell, S. Jex, W. B. Hasle, W. Fraser and B. Petheram.

FOOTBALL.

UNITED v. R.G.A. RES.

The following will represent the United in the above second division league fixture, to-morrow on the Sookumpoo "A" Ground. Kick off 2.30 p.m. sharp—A. I. N. Oller, Jackson, Chilton, Ugarhart, Mackenzie, Leonard, Boleboi, Derry, Brown, May and Chubb.

CLUB v. DURBAN.

The following team will represent the Club in their league game against the Durban to-morrow at 4 p.m. on Navy "B" ground—Bodger, Gerrard, Bishop, Israel, Stewart, McPhail (Capt.), Purvis, Forsyth, Begg, McTavish and England.

SILK STOCKINGS FOR HEALTH.

DOCTOR'S PRAISE OF MODERN FASHIONS.

"I am a champion of short skirts and silk stockings," said Dr. J. Browning Alexander who lectured on "Modern Dress in Relation to Pulmonary Complaints" at the Institute of Hygiene, Devonshire-street, W. "Short skirts are healthy, whilst silk stockings are far better than cotton ones," said the doctor. "When I was in France recently, I saw that women were wearing skirts which trailed on the ground. They were even playing tennis in them. Nothing could be more unhygienic, and I hope British women will not follow their example."

Dr. Alexander, however, deprecated what he described as the "appalling lack of difference between the clothes women wear in summer and in winter. At the beginning of last month he said, colds were almost universal among young girls—simply because fashion decreed that they should wear much the same clothing as during the hot summer months.

The arrangements for the Interport match to be held at Chinese New Year, has been got in hand, and various Committees were appointed at the Association Meeting last Tuesday. The Selection Committee, ask that Secretaries of Clubs will send in the names of players whom they consider good enough for Interport Soccer.

I was very glad to read of the Special Committee with regard to the game on the field between a player of the Titania and another of the Ambrose. By their decision in this case they appear to have more sympathy with the Referees than the Association.

Secretaries of Clubs are again reminded that the closing date for entries for the Shield and Cup Competitions is December 31.

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MAY BE IN BORNEO.

WOMAN NAVIGATOR'S EXPERIENCES.

Off the coast of Borneo is a race of people which Mrs. Wanda Helbig, one of the most daring women navigators who ever came to port, avers is the nearest approach to the missing link that is known to man. Mrs. Helbig was aboard the Japanese steamer "Korea Maru," of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha Steamship Company, when she doctored here yesterday, says the *San Francisco Chronicle* of November 16. Her experiences read like fiction, and the savages she describes would seem like the race scientists have searched for these many years.

Mrs. Helbig is a true adventurer. As the wife of Otto Helbig, sea captain, she has shipped before the mast and is the only woman who has ever been granted a licence of first officer of a sailing schooner. She and her husband ab-d their ship "Eclipse," a tramp schooner, carried cargoes between various ports and earned their livelihood that way. Mrs. Helbig is now in every port in the Orient, in Honolulu and San Francisco.

Captured by bandits in Luzon, Philippine Islands, Captain Helbig was off-red (abducted) by the savages for his wife, but he remained staunchly true to his first officer and turned down their very flattering offer of a bride.

The tribe which took such a liking to the skipper's wife was the Igorotes which is known as the dog-eating tribe. The Helbigs made their escape.

It was while cruising off the coast of Borneo, Mrs. Helbig said, that the strange race of men was discovered that may prove to be the missing link. These creatures were a cross between men and monkeys, according to the explorer, and had a short tail, about two inches long. They could speak no language, nor did they understand signs. Captain Helbig, himself, and two members of the crew of the "Eclipse," were attacked by the savages and protected themselves by means of sticks. The savages were immediately subdued by this method of defence.

Mrs. Helbig has sailed the high seas in the roughest kind of weather. During a severe storm off the coast of Manila she did not turn at the wheel for thirty-six hours. This storm was the worst one that the "Eclipse" ever weathered.

The "Eclipse" was sold recently and Captain Helbig is in the Orient in search of another vessel. His wife is acting as stewardess aboard the "Korea Maru," and will make the return trip to the Orient in the capacity, where she will join her husband in the adventurous career of following the seas and the shores that fringes them.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

ICE CREAM.

We hereby beg to remind our numerous customers that their orders for Ice Cream must be placed 24 hours before delivery is required.

HOME TRADE.

MANCHESTER WEEKLY MARKET REPORT.

Meers, James F. Hutton and Co., Ltd., Manchester report under date November 16:—

The raw cotton markets have again provided movements of considerable interest. The Bureau report, showing that 8,140,000 bales of American cotton were ginned up to October 31st, against 6,646,000 bales a year ago, has been accepted as a very bullish factor and taken as a confirmation of recent low crop estimates ranging about 9½ million bales.

There has been further heavy buying in consequence and although rather wider fluctuations have taken place owing to fears of a check to manufacturers, prices have again risen appreciably. At the same time, crop indications are not very reliable as there is still great difficulty in estimating the percentage ginned. In any case, however, there appears to be some danger of a further rise through the holding of cotton in the American belt, as holders have received a good price for a large part of the crop and are now apparently in a position to force prices even higher. Such a rise would seem to be neither sound nor desirable. Mainly it would be speculative, owing to holding and fears of insufficient supplies, and if it should cause a serious shrinkage in consumption, as it already appears to be doing in Lancashire, there is no doubt a reaction would follow. For the present, however, there appears to be little prospect of prices much lower than are now ruling.

Egyptian cotton has also been unusually active and prices are advanced nearly 1d. per lb. In the Manchester market there has been very little change. A fair enquiry

for yarn and cloth being generally accompanied with offers very far below the prices now required, and only a moderate business has resulted. There is no inclination whatever on the part of buyers to place anything of much weight, but stocks are certainly moving better. Yarns are ½d. to ¾d. per lb. dearer. India is not very active, but although telegraphic offers are scarce some shoddy have been sold for Calcutta and grey and white shirtings for Bombay and Karachi; there is also some enquiry for light goods. China demand shows little improvement. For Java, Singapore and Bangkok business is slightly better; and also for the African markets. Egypt, the Home Trade and the Colonies have done rather better.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

INSURANCE OFFICES.

NOTICE.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 25th and 26th inst.

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Rev. S.D.M. Connell

The Rev. Samuel Davis McConnell, pastor for fifty years and former rector of St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church of Philadelphia, has just published a book in which he renounces the faith on which Christian churches are founded.



Striking miners

Committee appointed by Mayor for New York investigates conditions in the Johnstown mines following a strike.



Joseph Thagge with wife and son



Mildred Roth and Edna Burke

The escapades of Gene Roth, properly Mildred Roth of Stamford, Conn., and Billie Burke, otherwise Edna, of Barre, Vt., which filled the papers when they "resigned" from Wellesley because they were caught smoking, ended in their arrest on the charge of larceny from a dry good store.



Capt. F.M. Guardabassi

Captain F. M. Guardabassi, well-known Italian sculptor and painter, is touring America to paint beautiful women.



Cardinal Gasparri

Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, is reported to have signified his intention of resigning at the next Consistory. It is believed a difference of opinion as to political affairs between himself and the Pope is responsible.



Bonnie McCarroll



Miss Catha Williams

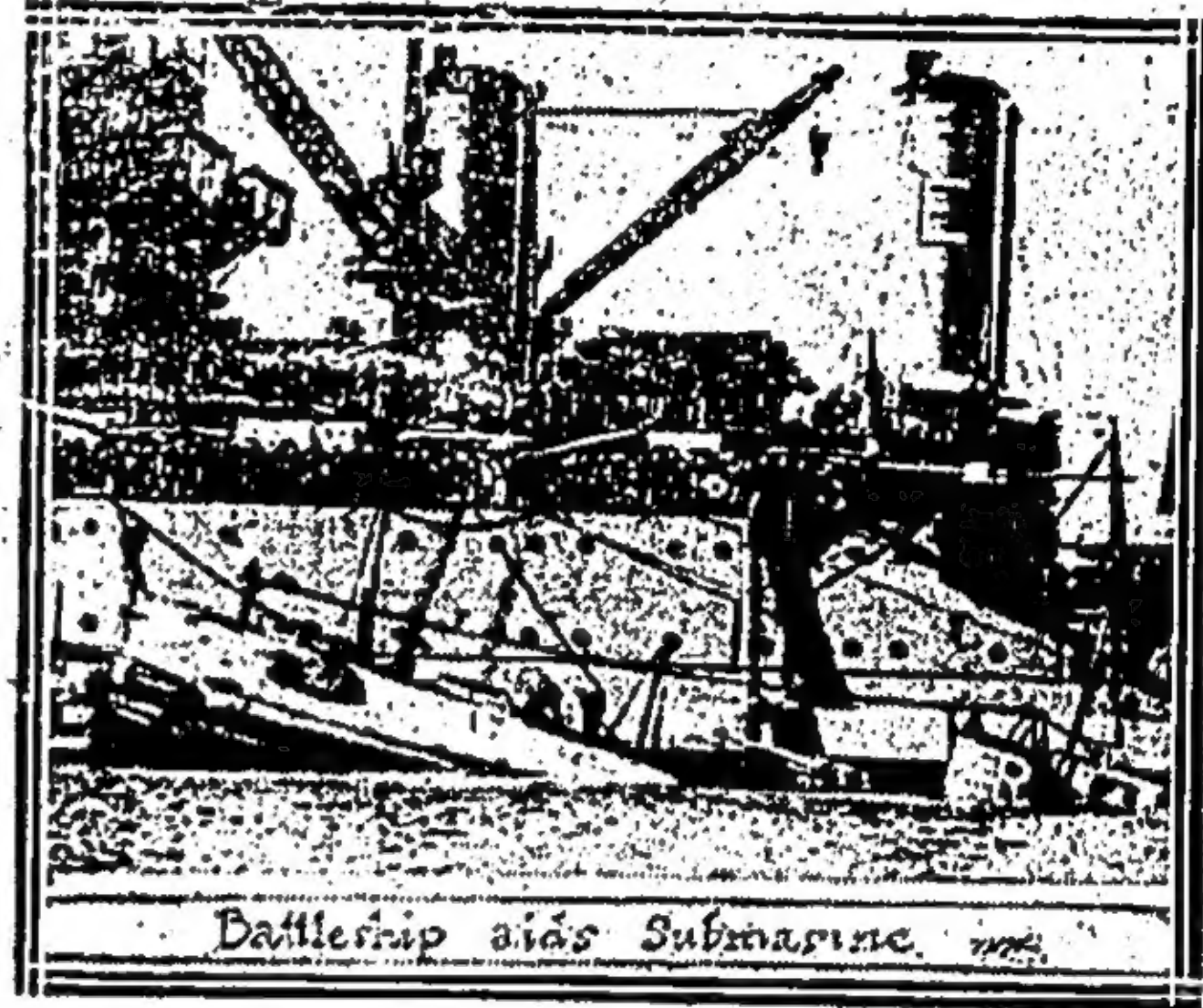
Miss Catha Williams, of San Francisco, has managed to save enough from her meagre earnings to buy a little plot of land for her aged mother. She needs sufficient to erect a home and has offered to sell herself in marriage for \$5,000 to any American born man under fifty and of good character.

Miss Bonnie McCarroll, one of the champion broncho busters from the Far West, is shown limbering up in New York for her strenuous work in the great rodeo exhibitions that startled the effete Easterners.



Major-General Gerald O'Sullivan

A romantic wedding took place in the University Church, Dublin, when Miss Maud Kiernan, of Granard, sister of Miss Kitty Kiernan, fiancée of the martyred General Michael Collins, was married to Major-General Gerald O'Sullivan. General O'Sullivan had acted as General Collins' military secretary and now is acting as Adjutant of the Free State Army in Dublin.



The U. S. submarine R-4, in battle practice, got a torpedo stuck in its tube and began to fill. Hastily exhausting its balancing tanks, it came to the surface and made a bee-line for the battleship "California," which hoisted her out of the water and extracted the torpedo. No damage was done.



H. R. H. Emir Abdullah of Trans-Jordan is shown leaving his hotel in London, where he is the guest of the Government. He is attempting to secure assistance in setting up an independent Arab state.



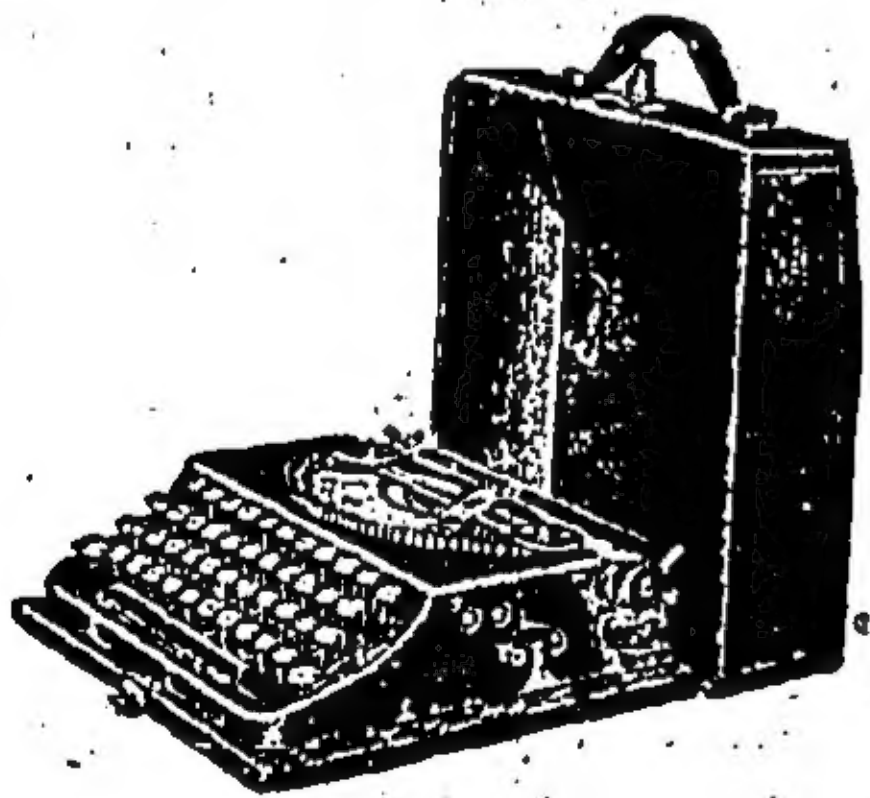
Dr. Bart Franklin and Mrs. Olivia M. Burnie

This is the tale of a dog's tail. When Mrs. Olivia McBarnie, of Louisville, Ky., purchased this dog from Louis Strelitzky, of Chicago, for \$300, he told her it was tailless. She has sued for the return of her money, alleging the dog is tailless because its tail was amputated. Dr. Bart Franklin, veterinarian, supported her contention.



Rev. Leonard J. Christler

Rev. Leonard J. Christler, widely known as "The Bishop of All Outdoors," was slain in his home in Havre, Mont., by Mrs. Marguerite Carle on, who killed herself. Mystery surrounds the motive.



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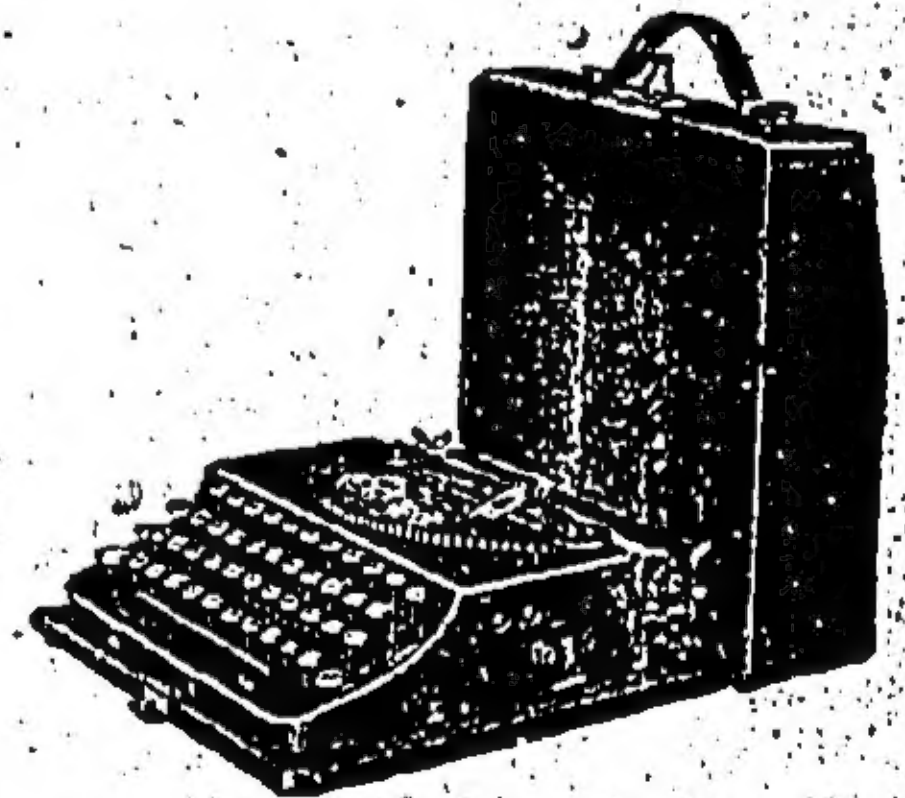
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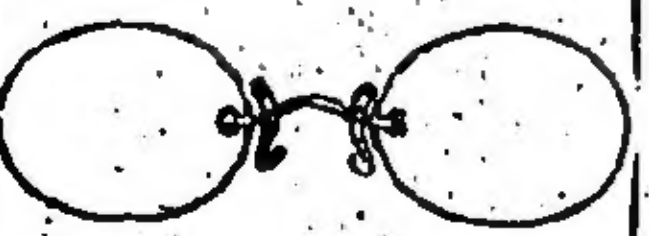
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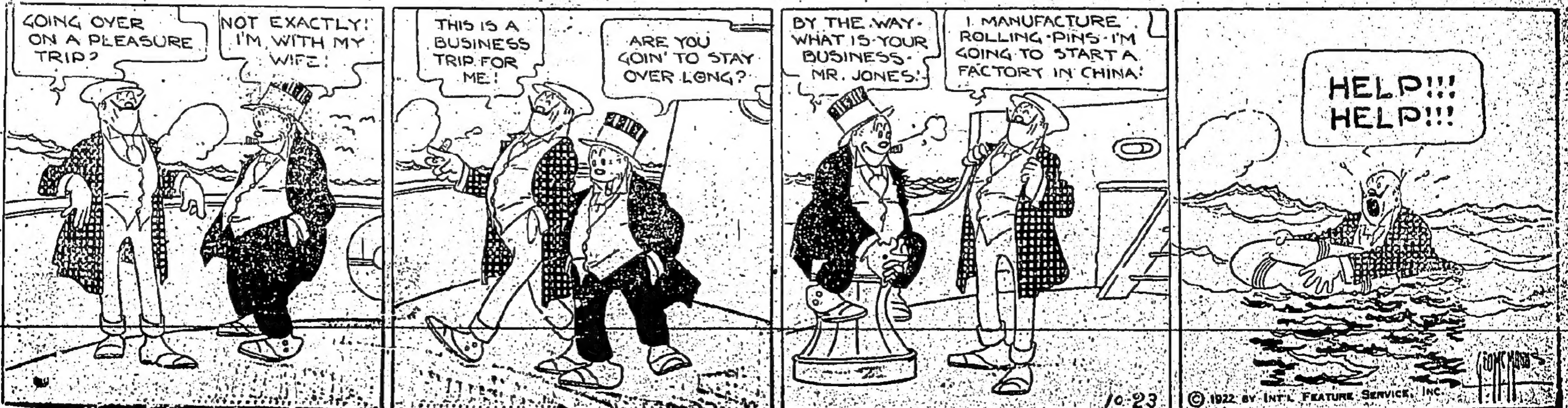


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